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Subj: YOUR FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUEST (DON-NAVY-2022-009754)

Dear Mr. Clevenger,

This letter is in response to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), assigned tracking number DON-NAVY-2022-009754, dated June 23, 2022, for your request of the following document:

Record #: 000377

Title: FINAL PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR BASEWIDE
INVESTIGATION OF PER - AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES NAS
CHASE FIELD, TX

The enclosed document is provided with redactions pursuant to the following FOIA exemptions: Exemption (b)(3) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC § 552, which allows the withholding of information protected by a nondisclosure provision in a federal statute other than FOIA. My review included consideration of the “foreseeable harm standard” (i.e., that information which might technically fall within an exemption) should not be withheld from a FOIA requester unless the agency can identify a foreseeable harm or legal bar to disclosure. Information exempted by other statutes include 10 USC § 130e Treatment of Certain Infrastructure Security Information. Exemption (b)(6) withholds personnel and medical files, and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Your fees are waived in this instance only.

You have the right to an appeal. It must be received within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. There are two ways to file an appeal—through FOIAonline or by mail.

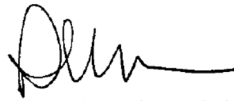
1. Through FOIAonline: Go to <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home/>. Locate your request (enter a keyword or the request tracking number in the “Search” field), click on it, then the "Create Appeal" tab in the left-hand column. Complete the subsequent field, click “Save,” and FOIAonline will submit your appeal.

2. By mail: Address your appeal to:

Department of the Navy
Office of the General Counsel
1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532
Washington, DC 20350-1000

If you have any questions, please contact my FOIA coordinator at abby.j.machalec.civ@us.navy.mil, (202) 685-9269. You may also contact the Department of the Navy (DON) FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, (703) 697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the DON. For more information, go to <https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. A. Pollock', with a stylized flourish at the end.

P. A. POLLOCK
By direction

Copy to:
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